

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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First Named Inventor	: Stephen MAHER		
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Examiner	: ELOSHWAY, NIKI MARINA		
Docket No.	: 102187.57082US		
Customer No.	: 23911		
Title	: A Retractable Straw Device		

REPLY

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated August 4, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. *No additional claims fees are due.*

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.